

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL****FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:

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2. STATE:

MN

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL
SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

October 1, 2000

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):

☐ NEW STATE PLAN☐ AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN☒ AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:

§1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV)

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:

a. FFY '01 \$ -0-

b. FFY '02 \$ -0-

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

23c & 23d of Attachment 2.2-A

12c, 12d - 12g, 12n & 12o of Attachment 2.6-A

2 of Supplement 8a, and 2 of Supplement 8b to
Attachment 2.6-A9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):

Attachment 2.2-A, page 23c

Attachment 2.6-A, page 12c

Supplement 8a, page 2 of Att 2.6-A

Supplement 8b, page 2 of Att 2.6-A

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Adoption of basic coverage group under TWIIA in place of
the BBA buy-in group for employed persons with disabilities

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

☒ GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT☐ OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:☐ COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED☐ NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:

Mary B. Kennedy

14. TITLE:

Medicaid Director

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

December 14, 2000

16. RETURN TO:

Stephanie Schwartz
Department of Human Services
444 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155**FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY**

17. DATE RECEIVED:

12/19/00

18. DATE APPROVED:

7/17/01

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19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

October 1, 2000

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

21. TYPED NAME:

Cheryl A. Harris

22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health

23. REMARKS:

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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Federal Budget Impact of State Plan Amendment **TN 00-26**

The Department anticipates no fiscal impact due, or minimal fiscal impact no greater than \$100,000 due to the proposed amendment **TN 00-26** that converts the existing category of disabled persons who are employed from the optional category under the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 to the optional basic coverage group under the Ticket to Work and Work Incentive Improvement Act of 1999.

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Agency*	Citation(s)	Groups Covered
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B. Optional Groups Other Than the Medically Needy
(Continued)

1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) of the Act	<u>X</u> 20.	Disabled individuals whose net family income is below 250 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved and who, except for earned income, meet all criteria for receiving benefits under the SSI program. See page 12c of Attachment 2.6-A.
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B. Optional Groups Other Than the Medically Needy
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| 1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XIII) of the Act | <input type="checkbox"/> | 23. BBA Work Incentives Eligibility Group - Individuals with a disability whose net family income is below 250 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved and who, except for earned income, meet all criteria for receiving benefits under the SSI program. See page 12c of Attachment 2.6-A |
| 1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XV) of the Act | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 24. TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group - Individuals with a disability at least 16 but less than 65 years of age whose income and resources do not exceed a standard established by the State. See page 12d of Attachment 2.6-A. |
| 1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XVI) of the Act | <input type="checkbox"/> | 25. TWWIIA Medical Improvement Group - Employed individuals at least 16 but less than 65 years of age with a medically improved disability whose income and resources do not exceed a standard established by the State. See page 12h of Attachment 2.6-A. |

NOTE: If the State elects to cover this group, it MUST also cover the Basic Coverage Group described in no. 24 above.

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Citation	Condition or Requirement
1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XIII) of the Act	<p>(i) <u>Working Individuals with Disabilities - BBA</u></p> <p>In determining countable income and resources for working individuals with disabilities under the BBA, the following methodologies are applied:</p> <p>_____ The methodologies of the SSI program.</p> <p>_____ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income and resources more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 (income) and/or Supplement 5 (resources) to Attachment 2.6-A.</p> <p><u>X</u> The agency uses more liberal income and/or resource methodologies than the SSI program. More liberal methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.</p>

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1902(a)(10)(A)
(ii)(XV) of the Act

(ii) Working Individuals with Disabilities - Basic
Coverage Group - TWWIA

In determining financial eligibility for working individuals with disabilities under this provision, the following standards and methodologies are applied:

☐ The agency does not apply any income or resource standard.

NOTE: If the above option is chosen, no further eligibility-related options should be elected.

☒ The agency applies the following income and/or resource standard(s):

No income standard is applied.

The resource standard is \$20,000 in nonexcluded resources.

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1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)	<p><u>Income Methodologies</u></p> <p>In determining whether an individual meets the income standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The income methodologies of the SSI program.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 to Attachment 2.6-A.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The agency uses more liberal income methodologies than the SSI program. More liberal income methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A.</p>

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1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)	<p><u>Resource Methodologies</u></p> <p>In determining whether the individual meets the resource standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.</p> <p>Unless one of the following items is checked the agency, under the authority of section 1902(r)(2) of the Act, disregards all funds held in retirement funds and accounts, including private retirement accounts such as IRAs and other individual accounts, and employer-sponsored retirement plans such as 401(k) plans, Keogh plans, and employer pension plans. Any disregard involving retirement accounts is separately described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The agency disregards funds held in employer-sponsored retirement plans, but not private retirement plans.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The agency disregards funds in retirement accounts in a manner other than those described above. The agency's disregards are specified in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.</p>

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1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)	<input type="checkbox"/> The agency does not disregard funds in retirement accounts.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The agency uses resource methodologies in addition to any indicated above that are more liberal than those used by the SSI program. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.
	<input type="checkbox"/> The agency uses the resource methodologies of the SSI program.
	<input type="checkbox"/> The agency uses methodologies for treatment of resources that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 5 to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) (XV), and 1916(g) of the Act (cont.)	<p>For individuals eligible under the Basic Coverage Group described in No. 24 on page 23d of Attachment 2.2-A:</p> <p>NOTE: Regardless of the option selected below, the agency MUST require that individuals whose annual adjusted gross income, as defined under IRS statute, exceeds \$75,000 pay 100 percent of premiums.</p> <p><u> X </u> The agency requires individuals to pay premiums or other cost-sharing charges on a sliding scale based on income. For individuals with net annual income below 450 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved, the amount of premiums cannot exceed 7.5 percent of the individual's income.</p> <p>The premiums or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described on page 12o.</p>

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Sections 1902(a)(10)(A) (ii)(XV) and 1916(g) of the Act (cont.)	<p><u>Premiums and Other Cost-Sharing Charges</u></p> <p>For the Basic Coverage Group the agency's premium or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described below.</p> <p><u>Payment of a premium applies to an individual who has gross income greater than 200 percent of the federal poverty level by family size. The premium amount is 10 percent of the amount of gross income that is above 200 percent of poverty by family size. No other cost-sharing charges apply.</u></p>

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POLICY	HOW POLICY IS MORE LIBERAL	GROUPS TO WHICH POLICY IS APPLIED																								
<p>Pregnant women and infants disregard. For families with earned income only, the State will disregard income in the amount of 90% of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the <i>Federal Register</i> rather than the \$90 disregard plus the following amounts:</p> <table><tr><td><u>Household Size</u></td><td><u>Disregard</u></td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>\$136</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>140</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>145</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>149</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>156</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>161</td></tr><tr><td>7</td><td>165</td></tr><tr><td>8</td><td>170</td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>177</td></tr><tr><td>10</td><td>181</td></tr><tr><td>Each add'l person</td><td>5</td></tr></table> <p>For families with unearned income only, the State will disregard income in the amount of 90% of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the <i>Federal Register</i>.</p>	<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Disregard</u>	1	\$136	2	140	3	145	4	149	5	156	6	161	7	165	8	170	9	177	10	181	Each add'l person	5	AFDC applies earned income disregards of \$30 plus 1/3 of the remainder and \$90.	Pregnant women and infants poverty level group. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV).
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<p>Employed disabled family income disregard. In step one, disregard earned and unearned income of the employed disabled person, and other family members.</p>	Eligibility for the working disabled person uses a net income test of family income at or below 250% of the federal poverty level for the family size after application of SSI income disregards and exemptions.	Working Disabled Buy In §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)																								
<p>Employed disabled and spouse income disregard. In step two, disregard all unearned income of the disabled person and do not deem earned and unearned income of the ineligible spouse.</p>	Step two of the eligibility determination for the disabled person applies SSI income methods to determine if the individual would, but for earnings in excess of the limit in §1905(q)(2)(B), be eligible to receive SSI benefits, including deeming income of the ineligible spouse to the disabled person.	Working Disabled Buy In §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)																								
<p>SSI recipient disregard. Disregard income of SSI recipients up to an amount that is the difference between the income standard and the federal benefit rate.</p>	SSI has no similar disregard.	Individuals who meet more restrictive requirements than SSI. §1902(f)																								
<p>Income disregard. Disregard the difference between the former AFDC income standards in effect on 7/16/96 and the income standards for the §1931 group.</p>	No similar disregard in Title XIX.	All mandatory and optional categorically needy groups related to AFDC.																								
<p>Census income disregard. Disregard earned income of temporary census employees who were recipients in Minnesota health care programs on or before March 1, 2000.</p>	SSI and AFDC have no similar disregard.	All mandatory and optional categories in the Medicaid State Plan not subject to the limitation on FFP in section 1903(f) of the Act.																								

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: MINNESOTA

MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING RESOURCES
UNDER § 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT

POLICY	HOW POLICY IS MORE LIBERAL	GROUPS TO WHICH POLICY IS APPLIED
Spouse Asset Exclusion: In step two, Do not count or deem assets of the ineligible spouse to the disabled person.	SSI deems assets of the ineligible spouse to the disabled applicant or recipient.	Working Disabled Buy In. §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII). TWWIA Basic Coverage Group. §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV).
Retirement/Medical Benefits Exclusion: In step two, Exclude the following assets of the employed disabled person: retirement accounts including individual accounts, 401(k) plans, 403(b) plans, Keogh plans, pension plans, and medical expense accounts through the employer.	SSI has no similar exclusions.	Working Disabled Buy In. §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII). TWWIA Basic Coverage Group. §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV).
Additional Property Exclusion: In step two, exclude \$18,000 in nonexcluded assets.	SSI excludes \$2,000 in nonexcluded assets for an individual.	Working Disabled Buy In. §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII).

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